

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY
HISTORIC SITE SUMMARY SHEET

Survey #: P.G. #81A-16 Building Date: ca. early 20th c.

Building Name: Surratt's Road House

Location: 6701 Surratts Road, Clinton, Maryland

Private/Residence/Occupied/Good/Inaccessible

Description

The Surratts Road house is a two story rectangular frame dwelling of three-by-one bays, with an east side one story addition. It fronts closely on Surrats Road. The three bay north facade has central entrance through a modern door with a narrow architrave surround. Windows are 2/2 sash, the lights set horizontally, one above the other. The windows are flanked by vinyl louvered shutters. The first level is sheltered by a five-bay hipped roof entrance porch with Doric columns set on high cement block bases. The house is covered with horizontal vinyl siding with the appearance of wood siding. It is set on a cement foundation with a basement beneath the main block. The roof is corrugated metal. Interior brick chimneys rise from the east and west gable ends. There is a plain boxed cornice. The east and west gable ends are unfenestrated. The east gable end has an attached one story gable roof wing of one-by-one bay with a rear porch incorporated under the slope of the gable roof. The wing has the same window, cornice and wall covering as the main block.

Significance

The Surratts Road house is significant for its vernacular architecture. It was built early in the 20th century on a 74 acre parcel of Mt. Auburn Farm. Its date of construction is not known. It was constructed by 1935 when the farm including the house, a chicken house, stable and other buildings was sold at public sale due to default on the mortgage by its owners, Aquila and Jane Pinkney. The house is a simple "I" house which has been altered by the addition of vinyl siding and the modernization of its porch. Its height, roofline, setback and front elevation maintain the appearance of an early 20th century dwelling. Its stylistic antecedent is the late 19th century Victorian vernacular farm dwelling. It is an important reminder of Surrattsville's former character in what is a rapidly developing area.

Acreage: .58 acre

Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Surratt's Road House

and/or common

2. Location

street & number 6701 Surratts Road not for publication

city, town Clinton vicinity of congressional district 5

state Md. county Prince George's

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use	
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> park
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> religious
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government	<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Rodney Meyer

street & number 6701 Surratts Rd. telephone no.:

city, town Clinton state and zip code Md. 20735

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Prince George's County Courthouse liber #5577

street & number Main Street folio 350

city, town Upper Marlboro state Md.

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title N.A.

date federal state county local

depository for survey records Historic Preservation Commission, Room 4010/CAB

city, town Upper Marlboro state Md.

7. Description

Condition		Check one	Check one	
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved	date of move _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed			

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

The Surratts Road house is a two story rectangular frame dwelling of three-by-one bays, with an east side one story addition. It fronts closely on Surratts Road, and is set on a town lot, surrounded by housing of a later date.

The three bay north facade has central entrance through a modern door flanked by two-light sidelights. The door has a narrow architrave surround. Windows on the facade are 2/2 double-hung-sash, the lights set horizontally, one above the other, rather than vertically. The windows also have a narrow architrave surround and are flanked by vinyl louvered shutters. The first level is sheltered by a five-bay hipped roof entrance porch with tapering Doric columns set on high cement block bases, supporting a frieze and crown molded cornice. The porch has a new cement floor, set on a brick base.

The house is covered with horizontal vinyl siding with the appearance of wood siding. It is set on a cement foundation with a basement beneath the main block. The roof is corrugated metal. Interior corbelled brick chimneys rise from the east and west gable ends. There is a plain boxed cornice.

The three bay south (rear) facade has a center, one-by-one bay two story shed roof addition on a poured cement base. It has the same window, cornice and siding treatment as the main block.

The east and west gable ends are unfenestrated. The east gable end has an attached one story gable roof wing of one-by-one bay with a rear porch incorporated under the slope of the gable roof. The wing is set on a cement foundation and has the same window, cornice and wall covering as the main block. The roof is covered with asphalt shingle. The wing has a one bay shed roof addition at its southeast corner, containing an entrance to the cellar.

8. Significance

Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
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		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		

Specific dates **Builder/Architect**

check: Applicable Criteria: A B C D
and/or
Applicable Exception: A B C D E F G
Level of Significance: national state local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

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Notes

1 Land Records of Prince George's County, 150:157, #9080 Equity.
2 Ibid; and 408:319. Also see Tax Assessments, Prince George's County, 9th District, 1900, 1906, 1908, 1912-15, John Van Ryswick, Lorenzo D. Addis, Henry W. Wilson.

Chain of Title

Surratts Road House
P.G. #81A-16

5577:390
3 Sept 1982
Deed
Randel T. Smith to Rodney and Lori Meyer. For \$10 grantors convey that property described in 5481:132. Amount paid = \$59,950.00 Lot #7 in unrecorded subdivision known as Campus Drive Estate. Contains .58 acre.

5481:132
2 Nov 1981
Deed
John T. Dunnigan, Trustee under agreement recorded 5473:439 to Randel T. Smith. For \$10 grantor conveys same parcel in 5473:446 contains .58 acre.

5473:446
31 Aug 1981
Deed
Griffith S. Ousler, Jr., Trustee and John T. Dunnigan. For \$10 grantor conveys same parcel recorded in 4726:709. Actual amount paid \$210,000.00. A part of parcel 5 of the land of Griffith S. Ousler, Jr., Trustee. Contains 8.18 acres, excepting .35 acre, .33 acre and 1.24 acres, leaving 6.24 acres conveyed.

4726:709
31 July 1974
Deed
Griffith S. Ousler Jr., and Dorothy V. Ousler to Griffith S. Ousler, Jr., Trustee. G. S. Ousler died intestate 13 Aug 1973. Will S.S. McG 15:383, left son his farm, acquired by 63:296, 128:306, 293:286, 382:233, 387:122 and 408:319 together with all houses on both sides Cheltenham Road.

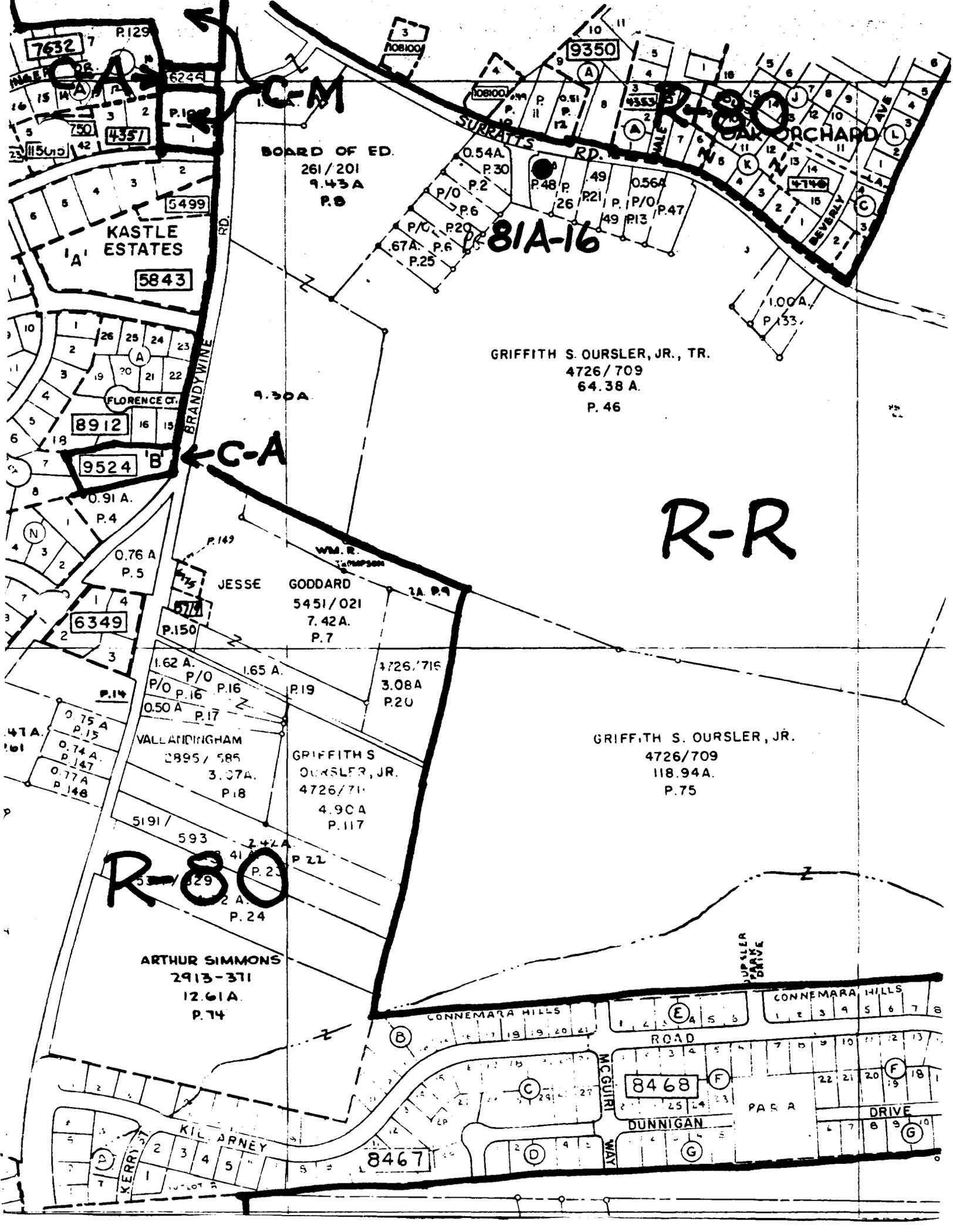
408:319
20 Feb 1935
Deed
Adrian P. Fisher to Griffith S. Ousler. At public sale January 1934 by said grantor, as assignee in mortgage from Aquila Pinkney to Henry W. Wilson, 27 Feb 1920, 150:157. Sale made after default. Equity #9080. Ousler highest bidder at \$2750. Property contains 50 acres, runs south along Surrattsville Road.

Also part of Mt. Auburn Farm. Contains 24.73 acres, same land conveyed by Henry W. Wilson to Aquila Pinkney 25 Feb 1920.

#9080
Equity
Notice of Public Sale dated January 2, 1934. 2 tracts, 74.73 acres on County road from Clinton to Cheltenham, adjoining Surrattsville High School to west, Cheltenham Road to north, and G.S. Ousler property to East. Improved by 5 room, 2 story frame dwelling, chicken house, stable and other outbuildings.

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- 150:157
27 Feb 1920
Mortgage
Aquila and Janie Pinkney to Henry W. Wilson. Pinkneys indebted to Wilson for \$3500 - a part of purchase money on hereinafter described property, mortgage made to secure debt. Parcel in Surratts district. Contains 50 acres, also a part of Auburn Farm, 24.73 acres.
- 130:303
17 May 1918
Deed
Lorenzo D. Addis and O.B. Zantzinger to Henry W. Wilson. for \$10 grantors convey a part of Mt. Auburn Farm - Lot 7, a part of same land conveyed to Addis by Avarilla Lambert, February 8, 1906, 28:267. 24 acres.
- 66:299
3 Sept 1910
Deed
Lorenzo and Nida Addis to Henry W. Wilson of Washington, D.C. For \$10 grantors convey 50 acres.
- 28:267
8 Feb 1906
Deed
Avarilla Lambert and Tallmadge Lambert, Martha and William K. Carr to Lorenzo D. Addis. For \$10 paid to grantors, heirs of John Van Ryswick, parcel conveyed, same obtained from Van Ryswick 6 Feb 1885, JWB 7:223, 326 acres, same conveyed by Thomas Clagett to Woodbury Wheeler, H.B. 3:584.
- JWB 7:223
6 Feb. 1885
Deed
John Van Ryswick to Mary Van Ryswick, his wife and Mary Jane Van Ryswick, Avarilla Lambert and Martina Van Ryswick, his daughters. Grantor and wife have life estate in all property. It is to be divided among his heirs equally. Lots in Washington, D.C.
- H.B. 3:584
7 July 1870
Deed
Thomas Clagett, mortgagee, by powers obtained in mortgage from Bennett Z. Gwynn, F.S. 2:190, #722 Equity, sold to Woodbury Wheeler a part of His Lordship's Kindness, Lot #2, upon which Bennett Z. Gwynn resides, 326 acres called Mt. Auburn.



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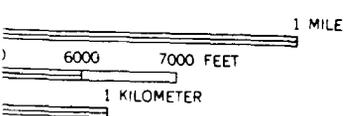
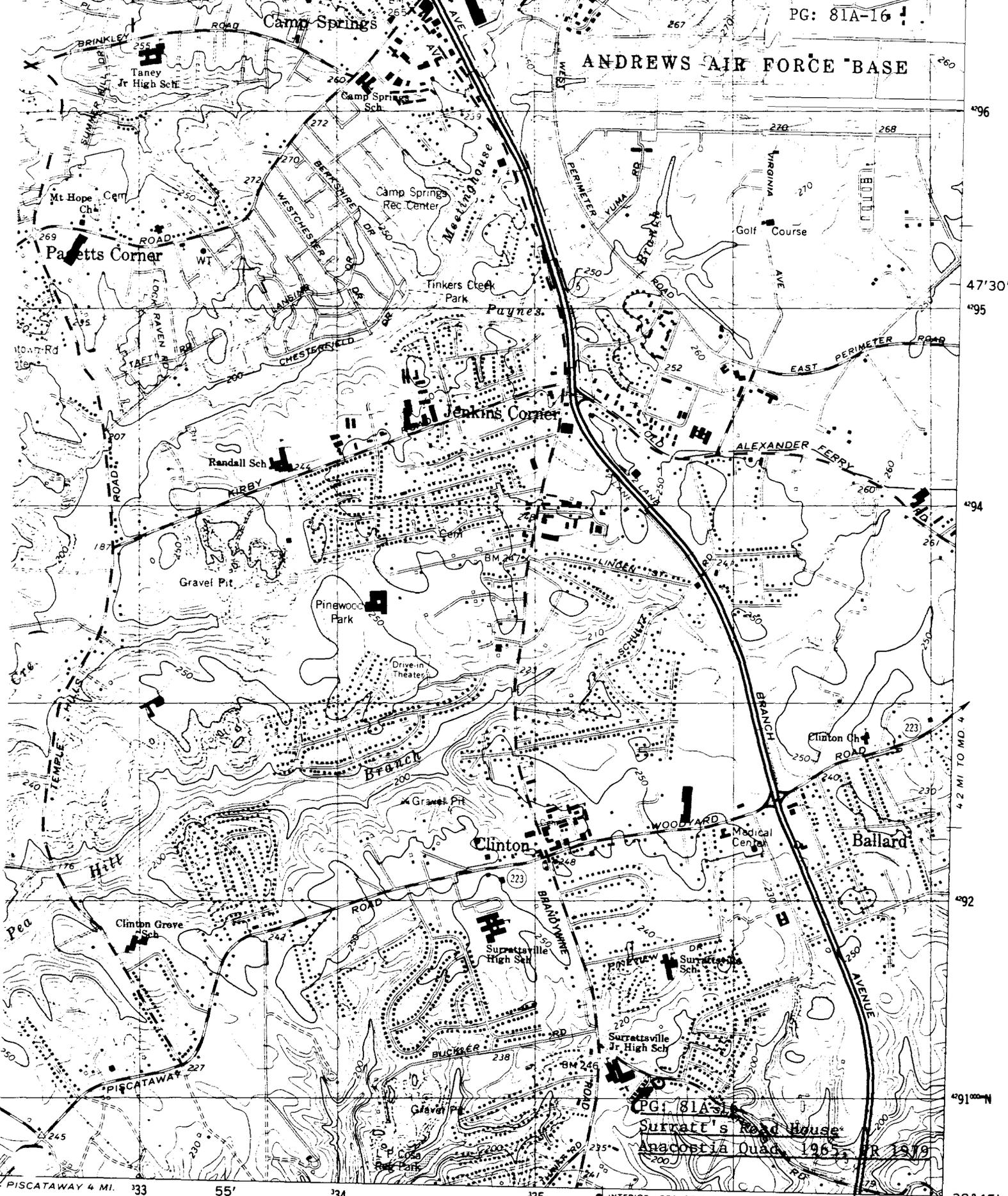
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ANDREWS AIR FORCE BASE



ROAD CLASSIFICATION

Heavy-duty	Light-duty
Medium-duty	Unimproved dirt

PG: 81A-16
 Surratt's Road House
 Anacostia Quad, 1965, IR 1979

INTERIOR—GEOLOGICAL SURVEY, RESTON, VIRGINIA—1983
 T.B. 3.5 MI.
 WALDORF 10 MI.

38°45'
 76°52'30"

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Van Ryswick House
Prince George's County, MD
Marina King
February 1986
North
Neg: Md. Hist. Trust, Annapolis, MD



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Prince George's County, Md.
Marina King
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South
Neg: Md. Hist. Trust, Annapolis, Md.



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East
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